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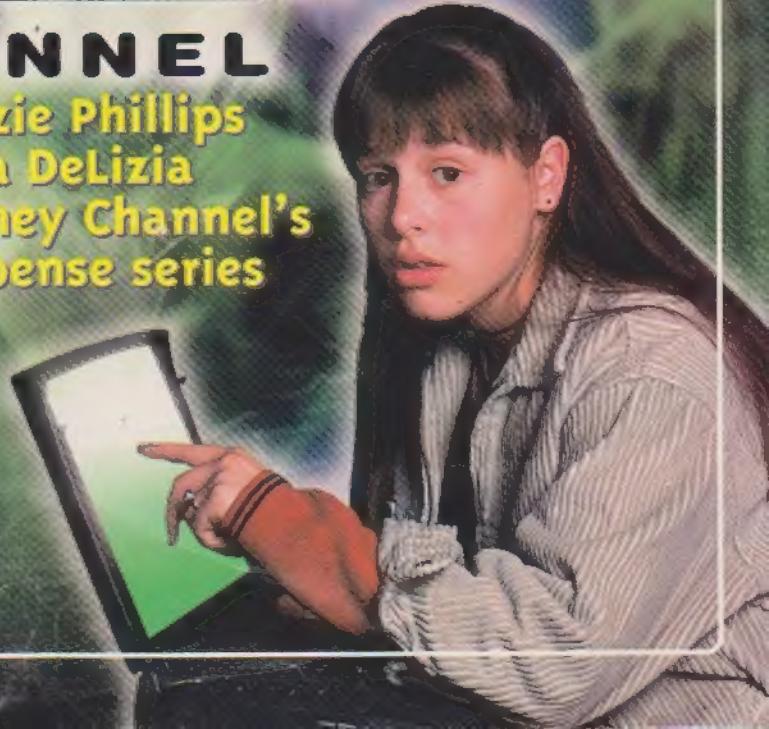
Behind the EARS so weird



New Series
PremEAR
Starting
January 18th
Monday
nights are
SO WEIRD

CHANNEL

Mackenzie Phillips
& Cara DeLizia
star in Disney Channel's
new suspense series



Behind the EARS

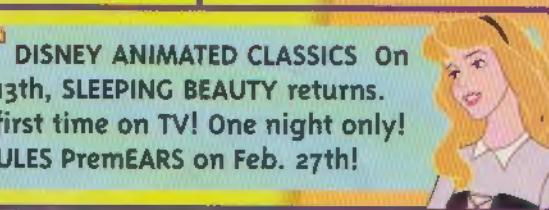


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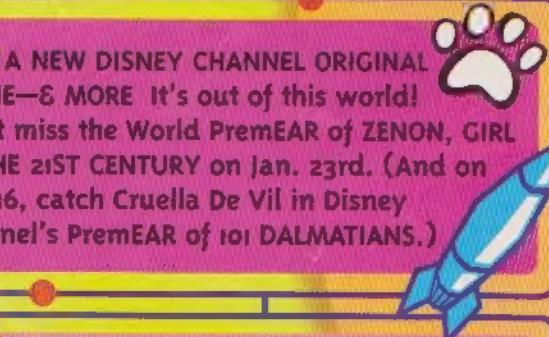
2 **PLAYHOUSE DISNEY** Little kids have a new place to play on weekday mornings. Kids & caregivers can join their favorite Disney Channel friends, from BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE to the gang from OUT OF THE BOX to POOH & his pals.



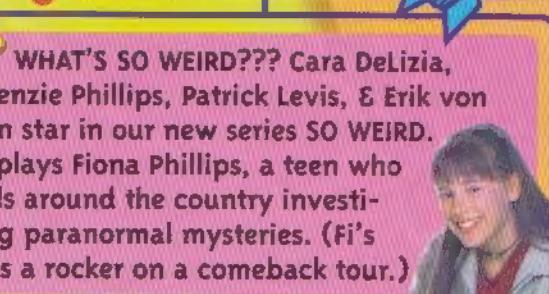
4 **DISNEY ANIMATED CLASSICS** On Feb. 13th, SLEEPING BEAUTY returns. Plus first time on TV! One night only! HERCULES PremEARS on Feb. 27th!



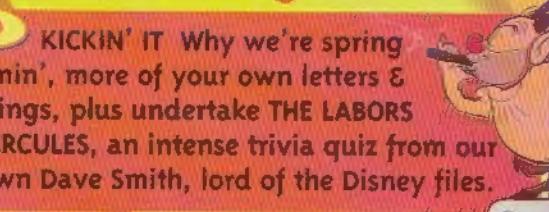
6 **A NEW DISNEY CHANNEL ORIGINAL MOVIE—& MORE** It's out of this world! Don't miss the World PremEAR of ZENON, GIRL OF THE 21ST CENTURY on Jan. 23rd. (And on Jan. 16, catch Cruella De Vil in Disney Channel's PremEAR of 101 DALMATIANS.)



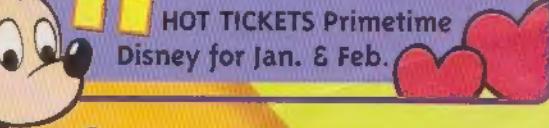
8 **WHAT'S SO WEIRD???** Cara DeLizia, Mackenzie Phillips, Patrick Levis, & Erik von Detten star in our new series SO WEIRD. Cara plays Fiona Phillips, a teen who travels around the country investigating paranormal mysteries. (Fi's Mom's a rocker on a comeback tour.)



10 **KICKIN' IT** Why we're spring dreamin', more of your own letters & drawings, plus undertake THE LABORS OF HERCULES, an intense trivia quiz from our own Dave Smith, lord of the Disney files.



HOT TICKETS Primetime Disney for Jan. & Feb.



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MONDAY—FRIDAY DAYTIME

6:00 MICKEY'S MOUSE TRACKS (tv-Y)

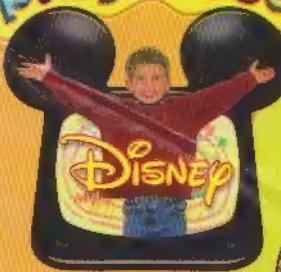
6:30 CHIP 'N DALE RESCUE RANGERS (tv-Y)

7:00 ALADDIN (tv-Y)

7:30 TIMON & PUMBAA (tv-Y)

8:00 GOOF TROOP (tv-Y)

playhouse



Aladdin

8:30 101 DALMATIANS (tv-Y)

9:00 SING ME A STORY WITH BELLE (tv-Y)

9:30 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF WINNIE THE POOH (tv-Y)

10:00 BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE (tv-Y)

10:30 OUT OF THE BOX (tv-Y)

11:00 MADELINE (tv-Y)

11:30 KATIE AND ORBIE (tv-Y)

12:00 THE LITTLE MERMAID (tv-Y)

12:30 THE NEW ADVENTURES OF WINNIE THE POOH (tv-Y)

1:00 BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE (tv-Y)

1:30 AMAZING ANIMALS (tv-Y)

2:00 101 DALMATIANS (tv-Y)

2:30 GOOF TROOP (tv-Y)

3:00 TIMON & PUMBAA (tv-Y)

3:30 ALADDIN (tv-Y)

4:00 DINOSAURS (tv-G)

4:30 GROWING PAINS (tv-G)

5:00 OFF THE WALL (tv-G)

5:30 MAD LIBS (tv-G)

6:00 GROWING PAINS (tv-G)

6:30 BROTHERLY LOVE (tv-G)



Mad Libs

Disney

SATURDAY—SUNDAY DAYTIME

6:00 MICKEY'S MOUSE TRACKS (tv-Y)

6:30 CHIP 'N DALE RESCUE RANGERS (tv-Y)

7:00 THE LITTLE MERMAID (tv-Y)

7:30 JUNGLE CUBS (tv-Y)

8:00 BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE (tv-Y)

8:30 ROLIE POLIE OLLIE (tv-Y)

9:00 PBJ OTTER (tv-Y)

9:30 AMAZING ANIMALS (tv-Y)

10am-3pm

MOVIES

3:00 THE FAMOUS JETT JACKSON (tv-G)

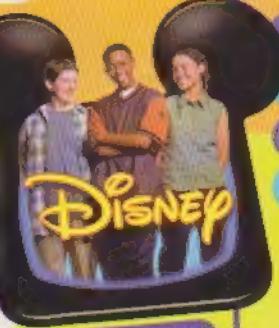
3:30 FLASH FORWARD (tv-Y7)

4:00 BABYSITTERS CLUB (tv-Y7)

4:30 THE TORKELSONS (tv-G)

5:00-7:00 ZOOG DISNEY

BUG JUICE, GOING WILD WITH JEFF CORWIN, FLASH FORWARD & the ZOOGS of ZOOG DISNEY



The Famous Jett Jackson



MONDAY—SATURDAY NIGHTS

7:00 SO WEIRD

Mondays at 7/6c

PremEAR Jan. 18th

Two episodes

PremEAR every

Monday! (tv-Y7)



Vault Disney

11:00 Walt Disney Presents (tv-G)

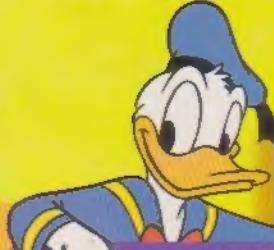
12:00 ZORRO (tv-G)

12:30 IN JAN. MICKEY MOUSE CLUB (M-F) (tv-G)

IN FEB. DISNEY FAMILY ALBUM (tv-G)

1:00 & 3:00 DISNEY MOVIES

5:00 Ink & Paint Club



Behind the EARS

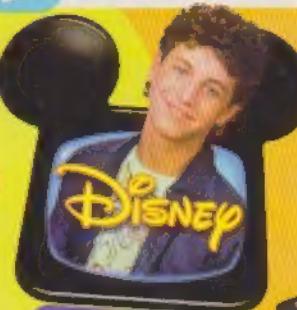
SUNDAY NIGHTS

7:00 OMBA MOKOMBA (tv-G)

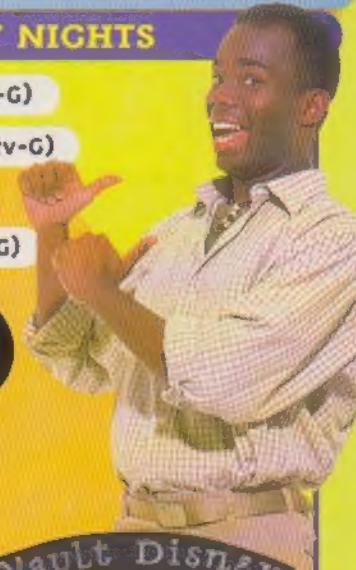
7:30 MUPPETS TONIGHT (tv-G)

8:00 DINOSAURS (tv-G)

8:30 GROWING PAINS (tv-G)



Growing Pains



Vault Disney

9:00 Walt Disney Presents (tv-G)

DISNEY CLASSIC MOVIE

10:00 ZORRO (tv-G)

12:30 IN JAN. MICKEY MOUSE CLUB (WEEKENDS) (tv-G)

IN FEB. DISNEY FAMILY ALBUM (tv-G)

1:00-5:00 DISNEY CLASSIC MOVIES & ANIMATION

5:00 INK & PAINT CLUB



TV Ratings

TV-Y

TV-Y7

TV-G

TV-14

TV-PG

This program is designed to be appropriate for all children and is not expected to frighten younger children.

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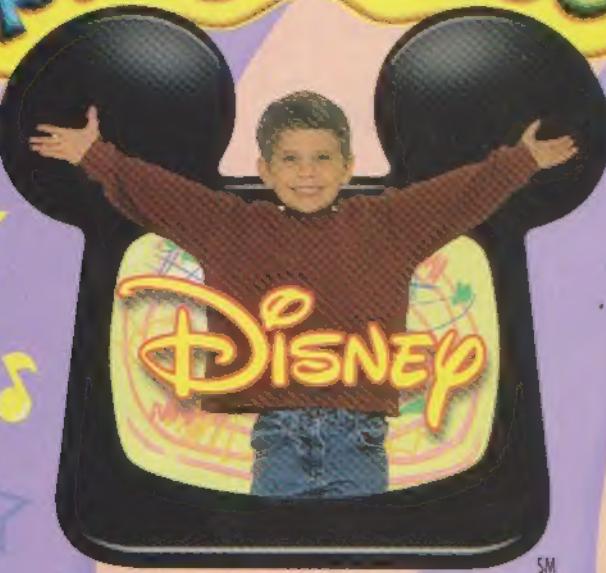
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ears

playhouse



WELCOME TO

PLAYHOUSE DISNEY is a place for young kids, with series like BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE, PB& OTTER & OUT OF THE BOX. It's a place where little kids can play and sing.

You'll find it on Disney Channel every weekday morning, from 8:30am—2:30 pm (7:30—1:30c).

On weekend mornings don't miss PLAYHOUSE DISNEY from 6—10am (5—9c). It features our new animated series ROLIE POLIE OLIE.



WHAT IT IS

BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE

ROLIE POLIE OLIE

PB& OTTER

OUT OF THE BOX

DON'T MISS MORE GREAT SHOWS AT PLAYHOUSE DISNEY

AMAZING ANIMALS

Weekdays at 1:30pm/12:30c
Weekends at 9:30am/8:30c



THE NEW ADVENTURES OF POOH

Weekdays at 9:30am/8:30c
& at 12:30pm/11:30c



101 DALMATIANS

Weekdays at 8:30am/7:30c
& at 2pm/1c

SING ME A STORY WITH BELLE

Weekdays at 9am/8c



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PLAYHOUSE DISNEY

Behind the EARS

From Jim Henson Television! Join Bear & his pals at the Big Blue House for fun and laughter, singing and playing.



Meet Bear's friends Tutter the mouse, Pip & Pop the twin otters, Ojo and Treelo the lemur.



BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE

Weekdays at 10am/9c & 1pm/12c Weekends at 8am/7c

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"Entertainment Weekly" calls it the best kids' show of the season. Meet Olie, a robot everybody who lives on an all-round robotic planet where everything's alive.



Welcome to Lake HooHaw, home of Peanut, Butter & Jelly Otter. Catch them as they play and explore. Join them in the Noodle Dance—you'll learn to use your noodle!

PB&J OTTER

Weekends at 9am/8c

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Disney

ROLIE POLIE OLE

Weekends at 8:30am/7:30c

Check out this cool clubhouse. Meet two adult caregivers who take care of three kids in a clubhouse they built themselves.

There's singing, playing, dancing and new activities you can do at home—everyday.

OUT OF THE BOX

Weekdays at 10:30am/9:30c



Behind the EARS



A CLASSIC RETURNS—WALT DISNEY'S

SLEEPING BEAUTY

CHECK IT OUT

SLEEPING BEAUTY TRIVIA

CATCH IT

 A Classic Returns SLEEPING BEAUTY
A Saturday PremEAR Feb. 13th at 7pm/6c

Walt Disney's most elaborate animated classic tells the tale of Princess Aurora, who is cursed by the wicked fairy Maleficent to die at the age of 16 by pricking her finger on the spindle of a spinning wheel.

Despite the attempts of three kind fairies, the curse comes true. So the good fairies put everyone in the castle into a deep sleep until Maleficent's curse can be broken.



1 What was Princess Aurora's name while she was hiding in the forest with the 3 kind fairies?

2 Prince Phillip must battle the terrible Maleficent when she transforms herself into what evil, mythical creature?



3 What did Disney animators do to make the animation look more realistic?



ANSWERS TO SLEEPING BEAUTY TRIVIA:

the animators could draw more realistically.
Many sequences were filmed using living models so

4) Briar Rose 2) A dragon 3) Many

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ANIMATION

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Disney's

First Time On TV!



HERCULES

THE LEGEND

Check out Disney's account of Hercules, the mythological superhero & son of Zeus, on his exciting journey from "zero to hero." Hercules must discover what it means to be a true hero if he's to regain his rightful place among the Gods of Mount Olympus.



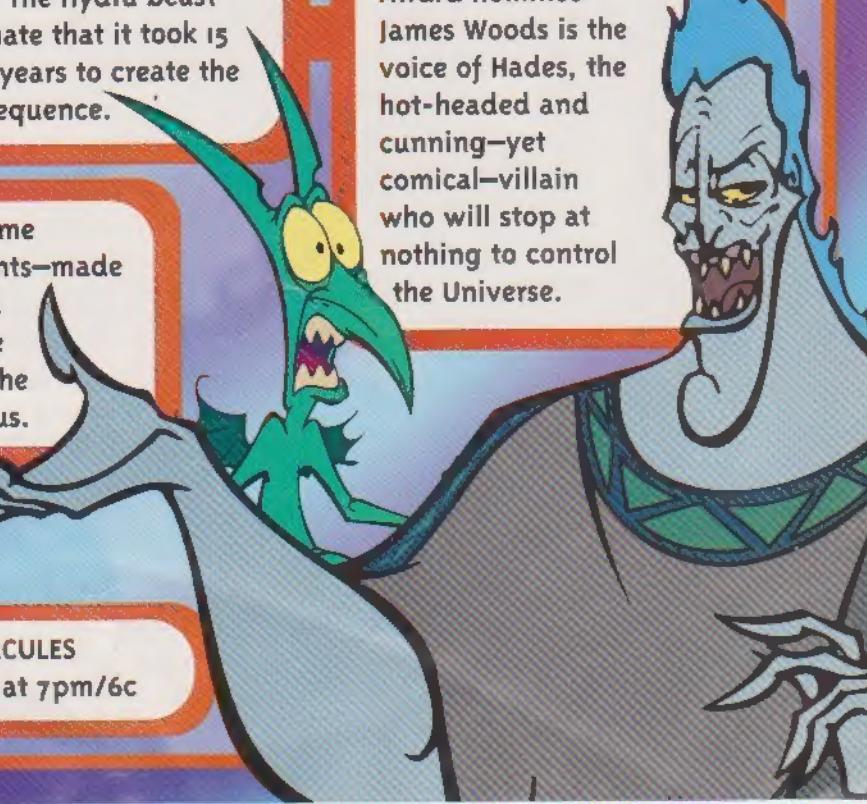
THE CHALLENGERS



HYDRA A huge and horrible 30-headed mythical monster sent by Hades to get the pesky Hercules off his back. The Hydra beast was so complicated to animate that it took 15 artists and technicians two years to create the exciting five-minute film sequence.



THE TITANS A fearsome foursome of brutish giants—made of rock, wind, lava, and ice—are Hades' last hope to defeat Hercules and the Gods of Mount Olympus.



CATCH IT

First Time on TV Disney's HERCULES

A Saturday PremEAR Feb. 27th at 7pm/6c

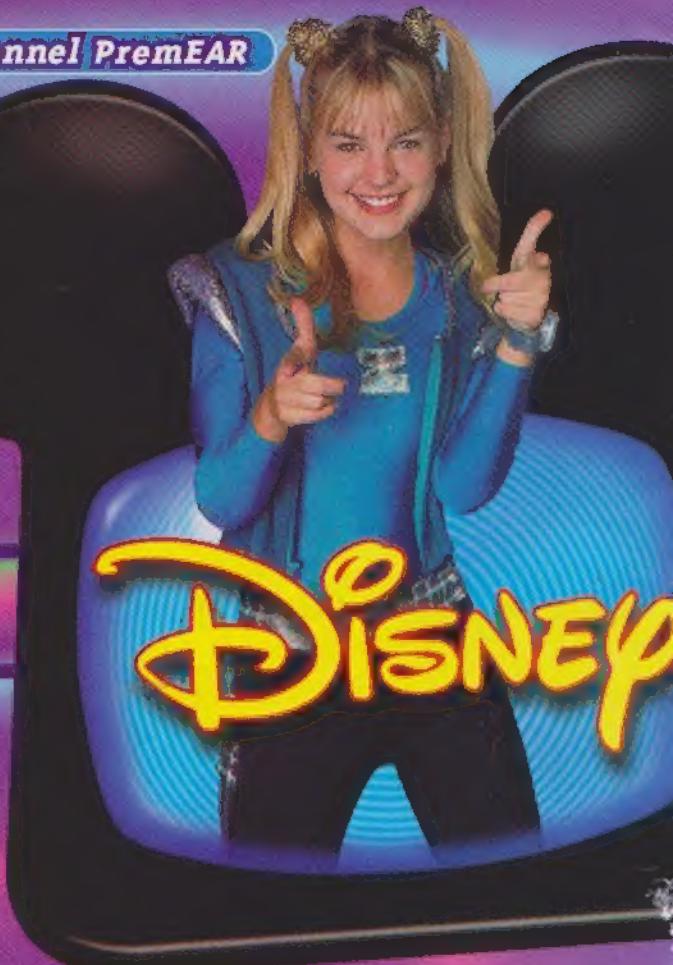


ZENON, GIRL OF THE 21ST CENTURY

- **WHAT IT IS**
- **SPACE vs. EARTH**
- **CATCH IT**



Raven-Symone ("Cosby") plays Nebula, Zenon's best friend; Kirsten Storms is the 21st century space girl.



A Disney Channel Original Movie
ZENON, GIRL OF THE 21ST CENTURY
A Saturday PremEAR Jan. 23rd at 7pm/6c

101 DALMATIANS

- **WHAT IT IS**

It's Glenn Close as the creepy Cruella De Vil, the mad, bad and dangerous to know fashion designer with a thing for fur.

And when Cruella spies Pongo & Perdita & their newborn litter of Dalmatian pups, she knows she has to make a fashion statement—a beautiful fur coat made of puppy skin. Dalmatian puppies of London look out: Cruella and her dognapping henchmen are on the loose.





SEE BEAR & HIS FRIENDS FROM THE BIG BLUE HOUSE IN A LIVE STAGE SHOW!

They're Coming
To A Mall
Near You
This January
Through March!

Singing,
Dancing &
Laughter!



See The
Big Blue
House!

-ON-THE-ROAD-

with **BEAR** in the
BIG BLUE HOUSETM
FROM *Jim Henson* TELEVISION



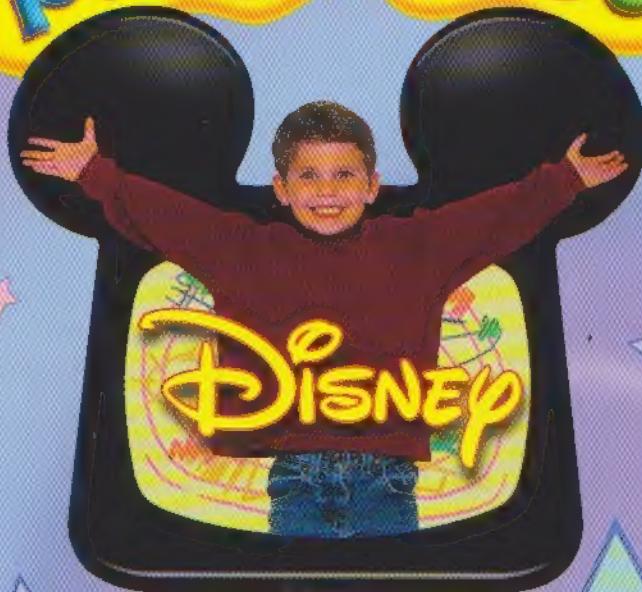
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Los Angeles
San Jose

Mall of America
Somerset Collection
King of Prussia Mall
North Point Mall
Aventura Mall
Brandon Town Center
To Be Determined
North County Fair
Glendale Galleria
Eastridge Mall

Jan. 8-10
Jan. 15-17
Jan. 22-24
Jan. 29-31
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Feb. 19-21
Feb. 26-28
Mar. 5-7
Mar. 12-14

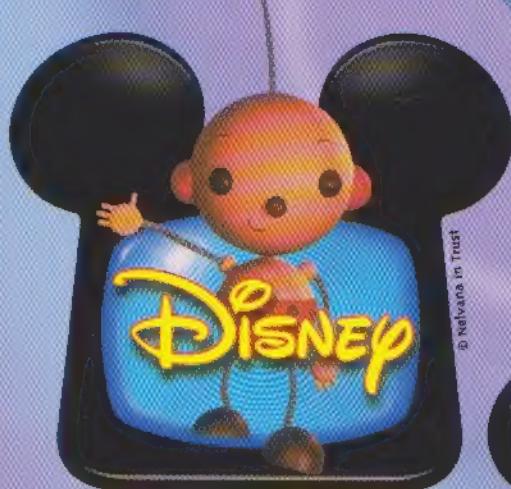
WELCOME TO playhouse

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Where Little Kids
Can Play & Sing!

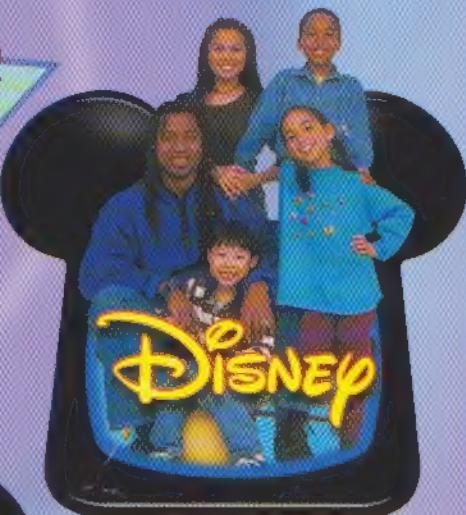


BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE
Weekdays at 10am/9c & 1pm/12c
Weekends at 8am/7c

You Can Meet
Old Friends
& Make
New Friends
Every Day!



ROLIE POLIE Olie
Weekends at 8:30am/7:30c



OUT OF THE BOX
Weekdays at 10:30am/9:30c



PB&J OTTER
Weekends at 9am/8c



BEAR & HIS FRIENDS
return to THE BIG BLUE HOUSE
ON THE DISNEY CHANNEL



-ON-THE-ROAD-

with **BEAR** in the
BIG BLUE HOUSE
from *Jim Henson* PRESENTS

This is coming
to a town
near you
this summer
through Disney



MEET YOUR FRIENDS FROM PLAYHOUSE DISNEY



BEAR IN THE BIG BLUE HOUSE
Weekdays at 10am/9c & 1pm/12c
Weekends at 8am/7c



ROLIE POLIE Olie
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OUT OF THE BOX
Weekdays at 10:30am/9:30c

Behind the EARS

Zenon lives on a space station where she's always getting into mischief. When Zenon steps over the line one time too many, her parents ground her. Literally.



Not only does Zenon have to leave behind her best friends Nebula and Lynx, she has to make new friends on Earth.



And Zenon really *really* needs to go home: The band Microbe, led by her personal fave & lead singer Proto Zoa, are playing the very first concert in space—and on Zenon's home station!



THE GOOD

Roger & Anita,
the human pets



THE BAD

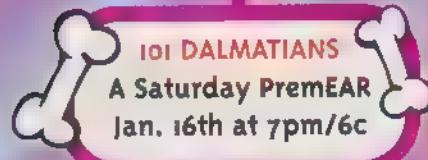


THE PUPPIES

Gone to the dogs



101 DALMATIANS
A Saturday PremEAR
Jan. 16th at 7pm/6c



SO WEIRD EARS

TV
New Series
Starting
January 16th!!!

MONDAYS ON



Could YOU handle traveling around the country investigating SO WEIRD stuff: time-travel, Bigfoot—even alien encounters? Meet Fiona (everyone calls her Fi) Phillips, Paranormal Investigator.

Join Fi, her brother Jack, & Jack's best friend Clu for adventures in everything that's SO WEIRD. (Jack's played by Patrick Levis; Clu's portrayed by Erik von Detten from DC's *Brink!*) Fi's mom Molly is a '70s rock star on a cross-country comeback tour, but Fi has other ideas about that. Because on every tour stop, Fi discovers a new mystery that's SO WEIRD.

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WHAT IT IS

THE INVESTIGATION

SUSPECT #1

Meet Cara DeLizia, the young star of Disney's newest series SO WEIRD. Cara is 14 & 1/2 and has a cereal-eating miniature schnauzer she calls her furry brother. Cara loves rollerblading, basketball, skateboarding, and bowling.

Behind the EARS: How would you describe Fi Phillips, the character you play on SO WEIRD?

Cara DeLizia: Fi is determined and adventurous. She's just like me, she marches to the beat of her own drummer.

EARS: What's the craziest thing you've had to do on screen?

Cara: Two things. I had to hang 20 ft. in the air suspended by a harness and fall through a break-away ceiling. It was scary at first but I got used to it after hanging there for a while. I also had to run into a cold, muddy bog & then get stuck in a river. Unfortunately, I slipped & fell in the bog & swallowed some bog-water. Yecchh!

EARS: Who's your favorite Disney character & what's your favorite DC show?

Cara: I'm a traditionalist. I love Mickey. My whole room at home is covered with Mickey stuff. I even have Mickey sheets. And I'm addicted to watching BUG JUICE on DC.



DISNEY ARE SO WEIRD

BEHIND THE EARS

SUSPECT #2

Mackenzie Phillips is one actress who's done it all. From Broadway to Hollywood, from "One Day at a Time" to SO WEIRD. You name it, Mackenzie's done it.

Behind the EARS: Much like in your real life, the character you play on the SO WEIRD is a performer making a comeback after an absence from the scene. Does that make the role easier to play?

Mackenzie Phillips: I'm really enjoying the role. Just like me, my character is a single mom, making a return to entertainment. I don't use the word comeback; I see it more as making baby-steps back into my acting career.

EARS: What's the craziest thing you've had to do on screen for SO WEIRD?

Mac: Jump in a cold river to pretend to save Fi (Cara).

EARS: Are you a Disney fan and who's your favorite character?

Mac: I am definitely a Disney fan. My son Shane (11) and I probably have every animated movie Disney ever made. And I love all the characters.



CATCH IT

Disney Channel New Original Series!
SO WEIRD Mondays at 7pm/6c
PremEARS Jan. 18th
Two episodes PremEAR every Monday!

Disney EARS Kick It

Don't know what you all are doing out there, but here at DC we're thinking Spring! But if you don't live in sunny Southern California like us, it's OK, we understand. It's the middle of winter, it's too cold to play outside,



you can't go snowboarding, and you're on the verge of losing all hope that you'll ever have fun again when all of a sudden you remember... you can watch DC! And we won't let you down.

We have cool movies—HERCULES & 101 DALMATIANS & the brand spankin' new DC series SO WEIRD. So watch DC, have fun, and stay toasty inside—or freeze your mittens off building a snowman outside.

The Labors Of Hercules

Think you can go from zero to hero in just one test? Well, try answering these questions about HERCULES. It PremEARS on Feb. 27th for one night only. The rules: true-false questions are worth one point; multiple choice questions are worth two points; and the bonus is worth five points. Check out "Scorin' It" to find your score.

Hercules Trivia

True or False

Susan Egan, who provided the voice of Megara in "Hercules," originated the role of Nala in the Broadway version of The Lion King.

True False

Animating the scene with the 30-headed Hydra took Disney CGI Animators over two years to complete.

True False

"Hercules" had its World Premiere at the New Amsterdam Theatre in New York City.

True False

Before Hercules came along, Phil was the personal trainer of many Greek heroes including Jason, Odysseus, Theseus, and Perseus.

True False

Meg's nickname for Hercules is "Superman."

True False

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Multiple Choice

What famous actor provided the dignified voice of the narrator at the beginning of **HERCULES**?

a) Charlton Heston; b) David Ogden Stiers; c) James Earl Jones; d) Sir John Gielgud

John Musker and Ron Clements were the directors of **HERCULES**.

Which of the following Disney animated films did they NOT direct?

a) The Little Mermaid; b) Aladdin; c) Beauty and the Beast; d) The Great Mouse Detective

From which of the following monsters did Hercules rescue Meg?

a) Ice Titan; b) Hydra; c) Nessus; d) Cyclops

What famous modern artist was the production designer for **HERCULES**?

a) Andy Warhol; b) Al Hirschfeld; c) Peter Max; d) Gerald Scarfe

Behind The EARS



Bonus Question

James Woods, the actor who provided the voice of Hades, appeared in what 1992 Hollywood Pictures release?

Your Stuff:



• Holly from Naples, Florida is a "Pooh-riffic" artist and writes "My family and I visit the Magic Kingdom 3-4 times a year and I really agree that it's the happiest place on Earth."

• Jamie from Fall River, MA loves 'N SYNC and draws a great Mickey.

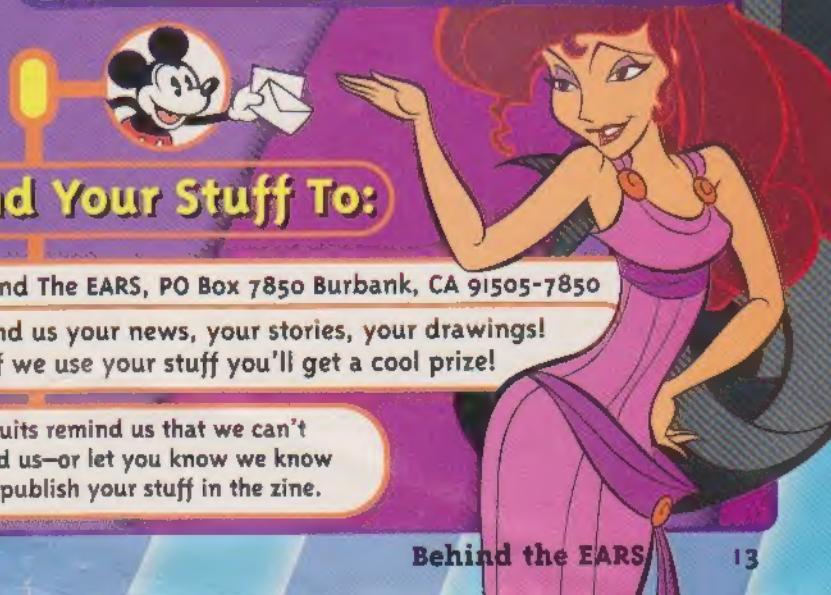


SCORIN' IT



1) False (She calls him "Wonder Boy")
2) True
3) True (It premiered on Broadway.)
4) True
5) False (She calls him "The Lion King")
6) a
7) c
8) c
9) d
10) Bonsu-Woods Co-
11) Started with Dolly Parton in "Straight Talk".

Here are the latest letters and drawings from cool kids:



Send Your Stuff To:

Behind The EARS, PO Box 7850 Burbank, CA 91505-7850

Send us your news, your stories, your drawings!
& if we use your stuff you'll get a cool prize!

And once again, our suits remind us that we can't return anything you send us—or let you know we know you're alive—unless we publish your stuff in the zine.

Up Next on

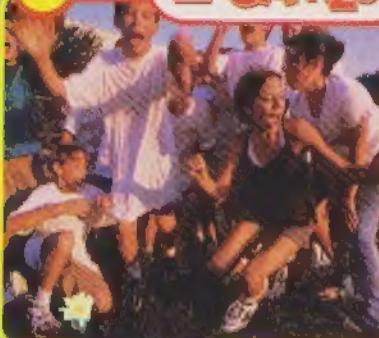


A Disney Channel Original Movie

CAN OF WORMS

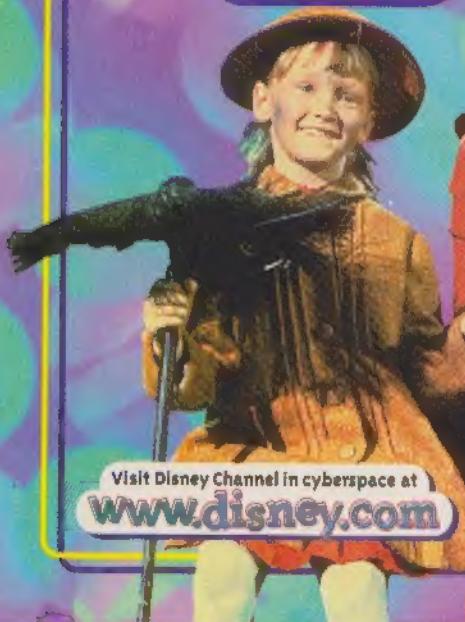
New Series PremEARS

Z GAMES

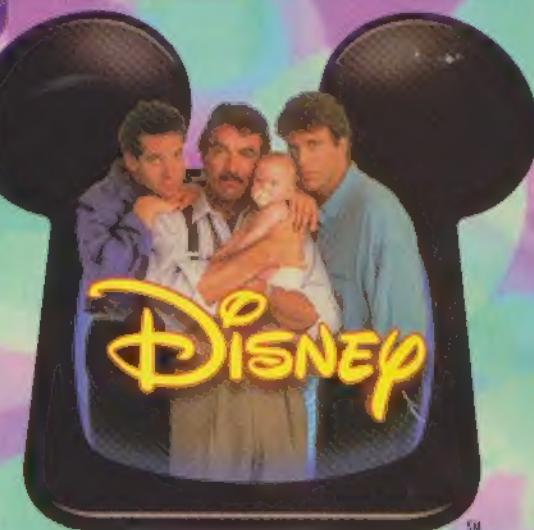


Special Presentation

MARY POPPINS



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A Saturday PremEAR

THREE MEN AND A BABY